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June 24, 2016

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

ATTENTION: WIRELINE COMPETION BUREAU

RE: Form 481 ETC filing pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 SAC 361451, MN, Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative Connect America Fund WC Dockets 10-90, 11-42 and 14-58

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's Rules, please accept the attached FCC Form 481 of Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative, MN, SAC 361451 (the "Company") for filing with the Commission.

The Company is filing the attached redacted version via ECFS.

Kindly direct any questions regarding this transmittal to the undersigned. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Pamela Hintz

Senior Telecommunications Consultant phintz@otcpas.com
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Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's Rules, please accept the attached FCC Form 481 of Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative, MN, SAC 361451 (the "Company") for filing with the Commission. Pursuant to the Commission's March 22, 2016 Protective Order DA 16-296, the Company hereby seeks confidential treatment of the financial information provided in the attached filing pursuant to Section 54.313(f)(2) of the Commission's rules.

Pursuant to the attached request and in accordance with Section 0.459 of the Commission's rules, the Company also seeks confidential treatment of its Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan's Annual Progress Report, included as the Line 112 attachment of the Company's Form 481 filing.

Kindly direct any questions regarding this transmittal to the undersigned. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form A CTED FOR DIBLO INC. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0986

		OR PUBLIC INSPECTION
<010>	Study Area Code	361451
<015>	Study Area Name	PAUL BUNYAN RURAL
<020>	Program Year	2017
<030>	Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data	Tom Campbell
<035>	Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	6516218511 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	tcampbell@otcpas.com
	Form Type	54.313 and 54.422

	ervice Quality Improvement Reporting ollection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
<010>	Study Area Code 361451	1
<015>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	BUNYAN RURAL
<020>	Program Year 2017	
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data Tom Ca	ampbell
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> 65162	18511 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> tcampl	bell@otcpas.com
<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC? If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5	(yes / no)
<111>	year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no) U
<112>	If your answer to Line <111> is yes, please file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service. Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your company CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.	
	Please select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to §54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.	Name of Attached Document
<113>	Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets	Yes
<114>	Report how much universal service (USF) support was received	Yes
<115>	How much (USF) was used to improve service quality and how support was used to improve service	ee quality Yes
<116>	How much (USF) was used to improve service coverage and how support was used to improve serv	vice coverage Yes
<117>	How much (USF) was used to improve service capacity and how support was used to improve servi	
<118>	Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.	Yes

(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)

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<015>	Study Area Na	ame				PAUL BUNYAN	RURAL					
<020>	Program Year					2017						
<030>	Contact Name	e - Person USA	C should contac	ct regarding this	s data	Tom Campbel						
<035>	Contact Telep	hone Number	- Number of pe	rson identified	in data line <0	30> 6516218511	ext.					
<039>	Contact Email	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> tcampbell@otcpas.com										
<210>	For the prior calendar year, were there any reportable voice service outages?											
<220>	<a>	<b1></b1>	<b2></b2>	<b3></b3>	<b4></b4>	<c1></c1>	<c2></c2>	<d></d>	<e></e>	<f></f>	<g></g>	<h></h>
	NORS Reference Number	Outage Start Date	Outage Start Time	Outage End Date	_	Number of Customers Affected	Total Number of Customers	911 Facilities Affected (Yes / No)	Service Outage Description (Check all that apply)	Did This Outage Affect Multiple Study Areas (Yes / No)	Service Outage Resolution	Preventative Procedures
												
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(300) Unfulfilled Service Request Data Collection Form			
<010> Study Area Code	361451		
<015> Study Area Name	PAUL BUNYAN RURAL		
<020> Program Year	2017		
<030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Tom Campbell		
<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	6516218511 ext.		
<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	tcampbell@otcpas.com		
<300> Unfulfilled service request (voice)	0		
<310> Detail on attempts (voice)			
National	ame of Attached Document 0		
<330> Detail on attempts (broadband)	Name of Attached Day 2011		
	Name of Attached Document		

(400) Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers

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<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of p <030>	erson identified in data line	6516218511 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of <030>	person identified in data line	tcampbell@otcpas.com
<400>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate voice complaints (zero or greater) for voice calendar year for each service area in which any facilities you own, operate, lease, or or	e telephony service in the prio h you are designated an ETC fo	
<410>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed v	oice	0.0
<420>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile	voice	
<430>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate end-user customer complaints (zero or greather prior calendar year for each service are an ETC for any facilities you own, operate,	eater) for broadband service in ea in which you are designated	
<440>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed b	roadband	0.0
<450>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile	broadband	

REDACTED- FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION (500) Compliance With Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules

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<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	6516218511 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	tcampbell@otcpas.com
<500>	Certify compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer pro	otection rules Yes

361451mn510.pdf

 $<\!510\!> Descriptive document for Service Quality Standards \& Consumer Protection Rules Compliance$

(600) Functionality in Emergency Situations PECC Form 481 REDACTED- FOR PUBLIC INSULATION FOR PUBLIC INSULAT

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<600>	Certify compliance regarding ability to function in emergency situations	Yes
<610>	Descriptive document for Functionality in Emergency Situations	361451mn610.pdf

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(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Da	ta				FCC Form 481	

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	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	

<703>	<a1></a1>	<a2></a2>	<a3></a3>	<b1></b1>	<b2></b2>	<b3></b3>	<b4></b4>	<b5></b5>	<c></c>
					Residential Local			Mandatory Extended Area	
	State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees
					See at	tached worksheet			
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(710) Broadbrand Price Offerings

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	State	Exchange (ILEC)	Residential Rate	State Regulated	Total Rate and Fees	Broadband Service - Download Speed	Broadband Service - Upload Speed (Mbps)	Usage Allowance	Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached { select }
				- See attacl	ned				
			,	worksheet -					

(800) Operating Companies	FCC Form 481
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<039>	Contact Email Address - E	Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	tcampbell@otcpas.com
<810>	Reporting Carrier	Paul Bunyan Rural	
<811>	Holding Company	Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative	
<812>	Operating Company	Paul Bunyan Rural	

<813>	<a1></a1>	<a2></a2>	<a3></a3>
	Affiliates	SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation
	See atta	ached workshe	et

(900) Tribal Lands Reporting
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<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	6516218511 ext.	
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	tcampbell@otcpas.com	
<900>	Does the filing entity offer tribal land services? (Y/N)	Yes	
<910>	Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves	Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians	
<920>	Tribal Government Engagement Obligation	361451mn920.pdf	

Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select
Yes or No or
Not Applicable
Yes
Yes

(1000) Voice and Broadband Service Representation TED-FOR PUBLIC INSPECTATION 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013

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<1000>	Voice services rate comparability certification	Yes	
<1010>	Attach detailed description for voice services rate comparability compliance	36145	Name of Attached Document
			Name of Attached Document
<1020>	Broadband comparability certification		- Pricing is no more than the most recent applicable benchmark announced by Wireline Competition Bureau
<1030>	Attach detailed description for broadband comparability compliance	361453	1mn1030.pdf
			Name of Attached Document

(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting			FCC Form 481
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<1100>	Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N)	Yes	
<1130>	Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).	kbps	

(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	FCC Form 481
Lifeline	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <03	0> tcampbell@otcpas.com
	361451mn1210.pdf
<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans	
12107 Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifetime Flans	
	Name of Attached Document
<1220> Link to Public Website	
<1220> Link to Public Website HTTP	www.paulbunyan.net
"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210,	
or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to	
§ 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must	
annually report:	
, ,	
<1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice	
telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,	
<1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,	
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<1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.	

(2000) Price C	ap Carrier Additional Documentation		DEIO HAOL EOI	FCC Form 481
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	-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers			July 2013
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	tact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	tcampbell@otcpas.com		
	appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note			
and Conne	ct America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b)	(c),(d),(e). The informat	tion reported on this form and in the doc	ruments attached below is accurate.
Inc	remental Connect America Phase I reporting			
	. •			
<2010>	2nd Year Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)(i) - Note	•		
	2016 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients	of Incremental		
	Support			
<2011>	3rd Year Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)(ii) - Note	that for the July 1		
	2016 certification, this applies to Round 1 recipients	of Incremental		
	Support			
<2022>	Recipient certifies, representing year two after filing	a notice of		
\2022/	acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the			
	= -			
	question are not receiving support under the Broadb			
	Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities			
	projects that will provide broadband with speeds of a			
	Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients or	ıly.		
<2023>	The attachment on line 2024 includes a statement of	the total amount of		
	capital funding expended in the previous year in mee	ting Connect		
	America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanie	_		
	blocks indicating where funding was spent. This cover	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
	54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.	15 year two		
1202445				
<2024A>	Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?			
<2024B>	Attach list of census blocks indicating where funding	was spent in year	Name of Attached Document List	ing
	two - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.		Required Information	
<2025A>	Round 1 or Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Suppor	t?	·	
1202374		••		
20255	A	. /D . l.4.5	N (A) 1 15	
<2025B>	Attach geocoded Information for Phase I milestone re	-	Name of Attached Document List	ing
	year three and Round 2 for year two) - Connect Amer	ica Fund , WC	Required Information	
	Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-			
<2015>	2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR	δ 5Δ 313(c)(Δ)		

(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued) **Data Collection Form** OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013 Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)} <2016> Certification support used to build broadband Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)} <2017A> Connect America Fund Phase II recipient? <2017B> Attach information for Phase II - 54.313(e)(1) - list of geocoded locations Name of Attached Document Listing already meeting the 54.309 public interest obligations at the end of **Required Information** calendar year 2015 and total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price cap carrier used for capital expenditures in 2015. Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor Name of Attached Document Listing <2018> institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to **Required Information** broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(2)(ii) <2019> Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(2)(v) <2020> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 40% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2017 - 54.313(e)(3) <2021> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 60% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2018 - 54.313(e)(4) Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public <2026> interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 80% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2019 - 54.313(e)(5) <2027> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 100% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2020 - 54.313(e)(6)

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Complete the items below to note compliance with five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan		
(3009)	Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii)		
(3010A)	Milestone Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}	Yes - Attach Certific	361451mn3010.pdf
(3010B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
(3012A)	•	No - No New Community Anchors	
(3012B)	54.313(f)(1)(ii)} Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)}	(Yes/No)	
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)	
(3015)	Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires: Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications	✓	
(3016)	Borrowers) Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	✓	361451mn3017.pdf
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
(3018)	documentation If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited? If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:	(Yes/No)	
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers		
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		
(3021)	Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit. If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:		
(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers		
(3023)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant		
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.		
(3025)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Springer DACTED- FOR PUBLIFICATION Pota Collection Form

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[PROTECTED DATA BEGINS

Financial Data Summary (3027) Revenue (3028) Operating Expenses (3029) Net Income (3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS) (3031) Total Assets (3032) Total Debt (3033) Total Equity (3034) Dividends

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4005 Rural Broadband Experiment

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

Public Interest Obligations - FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)

Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission's public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

4001. Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

Community Anchor Institutions – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

4003a. RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003B.

relevant geographic area.

4003b. Provide the number, names and addresses Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year. **Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 80) 4004a**. Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information deadline for the FCC Form 481. 4004b. Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing, offered broadband Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information speed and data usage allowances available in the

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as t	o the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients
	sponsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support tion reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:
Persons willfully making false statements on this form of	ran be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier					
I certify that (Name of Agent) Olsen Thielen & Co., LTD also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsagent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data pro	is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I insibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized ovided to the authorized agent is accurate.				
Name of Authorized Agent: Olsen Thielen & Co., LTD					
Name of Reporting Carrier: PAUL BUNYAN RURAL					
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date: 06/06/2016				
Printed name of Authorized Officer: David Schultz					
Title or position of Authorized Officer: Chief Financial Offic	er				
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 2184441141 ext.					
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 361451	Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2016				
, ,	ished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment er Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.				

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI R	Recipients on Behalf of Reporting	g Carrier
as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service s the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the in		
ame of Reporting Carrier: PAUL BUNYAN RURAL		
ame of Authorized Agent Firm: Olsen Thielen & Co., LTD		
gnature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date:	06/06/2016
ame of Authorized Agent Employee: Tom Campbell		
tle or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent Consultant		
elephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: 6516218511 ext.		
	07/01/2016	

Attachments

(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data	FCC Form 481
Data Collection Form	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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<702>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	

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				Residential Local			Mandatory Extended Area	
State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees
MN	All		FR	16.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.0

(710) Broadband Price Offerings	FCC Form 481
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	State	Exchange (ILEC)	Residential Rate	State Regulated Fees	Total Rates and Fees	Broadband Service - Download Speed (Mbps)	Broadband Service -Upload Speed (Mbps)	Usage Allowance (GB)	Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached {select}
	MN	All	44.95	0.0	44.95	20.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	MN	All	54.95	0.0	54.95	30.0	30.0	999999.0	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	MN	All	64.95	0.0	64.95	40.0	40.0	999999.0	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	MN	All	74.95	0.0	74.95	50.0	50.0	999999.0	Other, No limit on usage allowance

(800) Operating Companies	FCC Form 481
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<811>	Holding Company	Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative	
<812>	Operating Company	Paul Bunyan Rural	

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	Affiliates	SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation
	Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative	361451	Paul Bunyan Communications
	Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative	361451	Paul Bunyan Net
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Form 481 Line No. 112 Five Year Service Quality Improvement Plan

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Form 481 Line No. 112 Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan

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Form 481 Line No. 510 Compliance with Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection

As required by MN. Rule "7812.0700 Minnesota General Service Quality Requirements. Subpart 1" the local services provided by Paul Bunyan Rural are provided under internal company operating procedures and publically available tariffs which are in compliance with applicable Minnesota Public Utility Commission orders and rules including:

7810.0100 DEFINITIONS. 7810.0200 SCOPE. 7810.0300 STATUTORY AUTHORITY.

RECORDS AND REPORTS

7810.0400 RETENTION OF RECORDS.
7810.0500 DATA TO BE FILED WITH THE COMMISSION.
7810.0600 REPORT TO COMMISSION ON SERVICE DISRUPTION.
7810.0900 LOCATION OF RECORDS.

CUSTOMER RELATIONS

7810.1000 INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO CUSTOMER AND PUBLIC. 7810.1100 COMPLAINT PROCEDURES. 7810.1200 RECORD OF COMPLAINT.

CUSTOMER BILLING; DEPOSIT AND GUARANTEE REQUIREMENTS

7810.1400 CUSTOMER BILLING.

7810.1500 DEPOSIT AND GUARANTEE REQUIREMENTS.

7810.1600 DEPOSIT.

7810.1700 GUARANTEE OF PAYMENT.

DISCONNECTION OF SERVICE; SERVICE DELAY

7810.1800 PERMISSIBLE SERVICE DISCONNECTIONS WITH NOTICE.

7810.1900 PERMISSIBLE SERVICE DISCONNECTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE.

7810.2000 NONPERMISSIBLE REASONS TO DISCONNECT SERVICE.

7810.2100 MANNER OF DISCONNECTION.

7810.2200 RECONNECTION OF SERVICE.

7810.2300 NOTICE REQUIREMENTS.

7810.2400 BILL DISPUTES.

7810.2500 ESCROW PAYMENTS.

7810.2600 WAIVING RIGHT TO DISCONNECT: EMERGENCY STATUS.

7810.2800 DELAY IN INITIAL SERVICE OR UPGRADE.

DIRECTORIES

7810.2900 CONTENT OF DIRECTORIES.

7810.3000 DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE.

7810.3100 CHANGES OR ERROR OF LISTED NUMBER.

ENGINEERING

7810.3200 CONSTRUCTION OF TELEPHONE PLANT. 7810.3300 MAINTENANCE OF PLANT AND EQUIPMENT. 7810.3900 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS.

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INSPECTIONS, TESTS, SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

7810.4100 ACCESS TO TEST FACILITIES.

7810.4300 ACCURACY REQUIREMENTS.

7810.4900 ADEQUACY OF SERVICE.

7810.5000 UTILITY OBLIGATIONS.

7810.5100 TELEPHONE OPERATORS.

7810.5200 ANSWERING TIME.

7810.5300 DIAL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS.

7810.5400 INTEROFFICE TRUNKS.

7810.5500 TRANSMISSION REQUIREMENTS.

7810.5800 INTERRUPTIONS OF SERVICE.

7810.5900 CUSTOMER TROUBLE REPORTS.

7810.6000 PROTECTIVE MEASURES.

7810.6100 SAFETY PROGRAM.

Paul Bunyan Rural is in compliance with Federal CPNI rules, Red Flag Rules and other Federal and State requirements governing the protection of Customer's privacy.

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Form 481 Line No. 610 Description of Functionality in Emergency Situations

Paul Bunyan Rural pursuant to MN Rule "7810.390 Emergency Operations" has:

- Established reasonable provisions to meet emergencies resulting from failures of lighting or power service, sudden and prolonged increases in traffic, illness of operators or from fire, storm, or acts of God including provisions for emergency power that meet or exceed the rule requirement to provide:
 - o A minimum of four hours of battery service in each central office.
 - o A permanently installed power unit in exchanges exceeding 5000 lines.
 - Mobile power units that can be delivered on short notice and which can be readily.
 connected in offices without installed emergency power facilities.
- Has informed employees as to the procedures to be followed, including reasonable rerouting of traffic around damaged facilities and the deployment of emergency power, in the event of emergency in order to prevent or mitigate interruption or impairment of telecommunications service.

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Form 481, Line No. 920, Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

Summary of Engagement with the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians

Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative ("PBC") has deployed state-of-the-art, fiber-to-the-home throughout the area in which PBC is the incumbent local exchange carrier ("ILEC") on the Red Lake Reservation. In addition to providing services to residential customers, PBC provides services to anchor institutions such as the Red Lake Nation College, schools, clinics, hospitals, and tribal governmental offices on the Reservation, and has enjoyed a positive relationship with the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians ("RLB") for many years. Historically a member of the RLB has served, and currently does serve, on the Board of Directors of PBC.

In 2015, as in prior years, PBC sent a formal letter to the RLB inviting discussion on the tribal engagement topics set forth in FCC Rule Section 54.313(a)(9). PBC also provided the RLB with a copy of the FCC Form 481 filed in 2015.

The RLB has not responded to PBC's efforts to initiate formal discussion on the tribal engagement topics specified in FCC Rule Section 54.313(a)(9). Although the RLB has not desired to formally engage on these matters, on June 30, 2015, PBC's CEO, Gary Johnson, participated in a roundtable meeting with Megan Smith, the Chief Technology Officer of the U.S., and Tribal leaders at the Red Lake Reservation. The participants in the roundtable, including Mr. Johnson and Tribal leaders, discussed, among other things, the availability of broadband services on the Reservation and challenges of adoption and affordability of the available broadband Internet access service and possible solutions. Mr. Johnson also attempted to follow-up with the RLB Tribal Council Chairman following this roundtable regarding the matters discussed. In addition, in September of 2015, PBC attended and sponsored the Northern Minnesota Tribal Economic Development Summit (the "Tribal Summit"), a meeting of the three (3) tribes located in northern Minnesota, including the RLB, which was hosted that year by the RLB.

Summary of Engagement with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

PBC provides service as an ILEC and ETC in certain areas within the Leech Lake Reservation. PBC also provides service as a competitive local exchange carrier in certain other areas within within the Leech Lake Reservation where PBC is not the ILEC or an ETC. PBC's responses herein regarding tribal engagement and service within the Reservation relate only to the areas in which PBC is an ILEC and ETC.

Prior to 2015, PBC had tried to meet with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe ("LLBO") to discuss tribal engagement issues such as improving broadband access on the Reservation and resolving disagreements about tribal jurisdiction and regulation. Efforts by PCB and LLBO to schedule such a meeting continued into and through 2015. At one point, PBC and the LLBO scheduled a meeting for March of 2015 to discuss foundational issues such as rights-of-way and tribal

jurisdiction, as well as other tribal engagement matters, but the LLBO cancelled this meeting. Additional efforts to re-schedule a meeting in the spring and summer of 2015 were delayed by efforts to negotiate the terms for sharing certain confidential information. PBC also sent several formal notices to the LLBO inviting discussion of the tribal engagement topics set forth in FCC Rule Section 54.313(a)(9), and providing the LLBO with a copy of the Form 481 filed in 2015, covering calendar year 2014.

Ultimately, despite PBC's continuing desire and efforts to meet and engage directly with the LLBO leadership in 2015, the LLBO was unwilling to meet until PBC and the LLBO resolved the foundational issue regarding tribal jurisdiction and until PBC provided the LLBO with certain confidential sensitive business information.

In early 2016, PBC once again attempted to schedule a meeting with the LLBO, and this effort was successful. In February 2016, PBC and the LLBO held a very productive meeting, during which they established a road map for future discussions on the foundational issues and discussed all the tribal engagement topics specified in FCC Rule Section 54.313(a)(9). PBC has every expectation that the positive relationship the parties are fostering will continue through additional engagement in 2016, which PBC will report in the Form 481 to be filed in 2017.

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Form 481 Line No. 1010 Descriptive document for Voice Services Rate Comparability

Line 1010 – Description of Voice Services Rate Comparability: Provide a detailed description of how your pricing of fixed voice services is no more than two standard deviations above the applicable national average urban rate for voice service, as published annually by the Wireline Competition Bureau, as required in 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(10).

On April 5, 2016 the Wireline Competition Bureau announced results of the Urban Rate Survey for Voice Services as part of FCC Public Notice DA 16-362. Referenced in this public notice are the results required to meet the rate comparability as noted:

"Based on the survey results, the reasonable comparability benchmark for voice services is \$41.07.3

As required Paul Bunyan Rural Co hereby certifies that its current fixed voice services for residential subscribers as defined in the USF/ICC Transformation Order is below \$41.07.

³ Id. at 17694, para. 84."

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Form 481 Line No. 1030 Descriptive document for Broadband Service Rate Comparability

Line 1030 – Description of Broadband Service Rate Comparability: Provide a detailed description of how your pricing of a Broadband service meeting the Commission's Public Interest Obligations is no more than the applicable benchmark, as published annually by the Wireline Competition Bureau, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(12).

On April 5, 2016 the Wireline Competition Bureau announced the results of the Urban Rate Survey for Broadband Service as part of FCC Public Notice DA 16-362. Referenced in this public notice are the results required to meet the rate comparability as noted:

"Based on the survey results, the reasonable comparability benchmark calculations for broadband services can be calculated at http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/urban=rate-survey-data."

As required Paul Bunyan Rural hereby certifies that it offers a Broadband service to residential subscribers at pricing that is no more than the applicable benchmark rate.

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Form 481 Line No. 1210 Lifeline Plans Terms and Conditions

Paul Bunyan Rural does adhere to all Federal Lifeline eligibility rules and regulations as well as Minnesota Administrative Rule "7817.0400 - Eligibility for Telephone Assistance Credits" which states:

Minnesota Administrative Rule 237 Chapter 7817.0400

Subpart 1. Information provided. Each local service provider shall annually mail a notice of the availability of the telephone assistance plan to each residential subscriber in a regular billing. If a subscriber has chosen to receive the regular billing other than through U.S. mail, the local service provider shall send the notice in a regular billing using the delivery method chosen by the subscriber for delivery of the regular billing. The notice must state the following: YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE IN PAYING YOUR TELEPHONE BILL IF YOU RECEIVE BENEFITS FROM CERTAIN LOW-INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS OR MEET CERTAIN INCOME LIMITS. FOR MORE INFORMATION OR AN APPLICATION FORM PLEASE CONTACT

<u>(local service provider)</u>. On request, the local service provider shall mail to a person an application form developed by the commission and the Department of Commerce, and a brochure that describes the telephone assistance plan's eligibility requirements and application process.

Subpart 2. Application process. On completing and signing the application certifying under penalty of perjury that the information provided by the applicant is true and that the statutory criteria for eligibility are satisfied, the applicant must return it to the local service provider for enrollment in the telephone assistance plan. An application may be made by the subscriber, the subscriber's spouse, or a person authorized by the subscriber to act on the subscriber's behalf.

Subpart 4. Eligibility criteria. To be eligible for a telephone assistance credit the applicant must:

- A. be a subscriber who resides in Minnesota or has moved to Minnesota and intends to remain; and
- B. be eligible for the federal Lifeline telephone service discount.

Subpart 7. Applicant and recipient responsibilities. Each applicant and each recipient shall provide current information to the local service provider about permanent changes that affect the applicant's or recipient's eligibility.

Subpart 8. Local service provider responsibilities.

- A. A local service provider shall begin providing telephone assistance credits to an applicant in the earliest possible billing cycle but not later than the second billing cycle following submission of a completed application demonstrating eligibility. If certified, the local service provider shall notify the applicant by, for example, placing telephone assistance credits on the bill.
- B. If an applicant is denied eligibility, the local service provider shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the denial, of the right to appeal, and of the right to reapply.

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Paul	Bunyan	Rural's	Local	service	rates	that	serve	as its	Lifeline	Plans	are	filed i	in Co	omplia	nce	with	the
regu	latory re	equirem	ents c	of Minn.	Rules	Ch.	7810 a	and N	1inn. Rເ	les pt	. 781	2.060	00 as	s follo	ws:		

A. The tariffs or price lists of local exchange carriers must offer the following services to all

customers pursuant to Minn. Rules pt. 7812.0600 (basic service requirements):
single party voice-grade service and touch-tone capability;
911 or enhanced 911 access;
 1 + intraLATA and interLATA presubscription and code-specific equal access to interexchange carriers subscribing to its switched access service; access to directory assistance, directory listings, and operator services; toll and information service-blocking capability without recurring monthly charges one white pages directory per year for each local calling area, which may include more than one local calling area, except where an offer is made and explicitly refused by the customer;
a white pages and directory assistance listing, or, upon customer request, a private listing that allows the customer to have an unlisted or unpublished telephone number;
call-tracing capability according to chapter 7813;
(i) call Trace provisions in tariff mirror Commission's tariff templates.
blocking capability according to the Commission's ORDER ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS FOR THE PROVISION OF CUSTOMER LOCAL AREA SIGNALING SERVICES, Docket No. P999/CI-92-992 (June 17, 1993) and its ORDER AFTER RECONSIDERATION, Docket No. P999/CI-92-992 (December 3, 1993).
telecommunications relay service capability or access necessary to comply with state and federal regulations.

B. A Separate flat rate service offering is required pursuant to Minn. Rules pt. 7812.0600, subpt. 2. At a minimum, each local service provider (LSP) shall offer the services identified in Minn. Rules pt. 7812.0600, subpt. 1 as a separate tariff or price list offering on a flat rate basis. An LSP may also offer basic local service on a measured rate basis or in combination with other services. An LSP may impose separate charges for the services set forth in subpart 1 only to the extent permitted by applicable laws, rules, and commission orders.

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C. Service area obligations under Minn. Rules pt. 7812.0600, subpt. 3: An LSP shall provide its local services on a nondiscriminatory basis, consistent with its certificate under part 7812.0300 or 7812.0350, to all customers who request service and whose premises fall within the carrier's service area boundaries or, for an interim period, to all requesting customers whose premises fall within the operational areas of the local service provider's service area under part 7812.0300, subpart 4, or 7812.0350, subpart 4. The obligation to provide resale services does not extend beyond the service capability of the underlying carrier whose service is being resold. The obligation to provide facilities-based services does not require an LSP that is not an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) to build out its facilities to customers not abutting its facilities or to serve a customer if the local service provider cannot reasonably obtain access to the point of demarcation on the customer's premises.

The flat rate services, offered pursuant to Minn. Rules pt. 7812.0600, subpt. 2., include unlimited local service minutes of use. The local services offerings do not include any toll minutes of use. The rates for any toll usage are determined by the rate plans of the Toll Provider(s) that end users are selected by lifeline by end users.

The specific Company terms and conditions for the Companies Lifeline Plans are set forth in the tariff pages included in Exhibit 1, attached.

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

The rates for Local Exchange Service are subject to the conditions set forth herein and the General Regulations governing provision of service. The General Regulations are set forth in Section 2 of this tariff book.

Local Exchange Service

- A. The Local Exchange Service Rates in this section are for service only and do not include any terminal equipment beyond the point of demarcation.
- B. The rates applicable to Local Exchange Service are composed of a Line Access Rate component plus (where applicable) an Extended Area Service component.

C. Extended Area Service

- 1) Establishment and discontinuance of EAS will be contingent upon Commission authorization.
- 2) Extended Area Service rate component.
 - a) EAS is a premium-type service offering made by the Company to certain exchanges, under specific conditions.
 - b) The Extended Area Service rate component, where applicable, is included in the Local Exchange Service Rate.

D. Taxes

1) Applicable taxes levied by state, county and local taxing authorities are in addition to the rates set forth in this tariff. (See also General Regulations, Section 2).

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

Rates

Exchanges - Laporte, Becida, Turtle River, Solway, Puposky, Deer River, Northome, Squaw Lake, Red Lake, Kelliher, Ponemah, Ash River and Blackduck

Class of Service	Monthly Rates				
BUSINESS:					
One Party	\$	18.00	(1)		
PBX Trunk		18.00	Ĭ		
Key System Line		18.00			
Basic Rural Coin Telephone Service *		18.00			
RESIDENCE:					
One Party		18.00	(1)		

All rates are billed in advance. Payment for service is due when the statement is rendered.

Vacation rate service is available for customers requiring less than 12 months of service per year. The rate for vacation service is determined in accordance with Section 5, page 39 of this tariff book.

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^{*} New installations of this service are grandfathered as of 6-1-15 and will no longer be offered.

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Puposky Red Lake

Solway

Squaw Lake

Squaw Lake Turtle River Section 4 Page 5

LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

Extended Area Service (EAS)

Exchange EAS to Exchange Becida Bemidji Cass Lake Bemidji **Grand Rapids** Coleraine Becida Laporte **Grand Rapids** Deer River Bemidji Becida **Grand Rapids** Jacobson Cass Lake Bemidji **Grand Rapids** Hill City Bemidji Laporte **Grand Rapids** Marble Bemidji Puposky **Grand Rapids** Warba Bemidji Solway Bemidji Turtle River Blackduck Kelliher Blackduck Northome Blackduck Sqaw Lake Deer River **Grand Rapids** Kelliher Blackduck Laporte Becida Laporte Bemidji Walker Laporte Northome Blackduck Northome Squaw Lake Red Lake Ponemah Puposky Turtle River

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Bemidji

Bemidji Blackduck

Ponemah

Northome

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Response to Line 3010 – Milestone Certification (47 CFR §54.313(f)(1)(i))

Paul Bunyan Rural hereby certifies that throughout 2015, it took reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of at least 4 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream, and currently, it is taking reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request actual speeds of at least 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream broadband service at with latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol, and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to comparable offerings in urban areas as determined in an annual survey, and that requests for such service are met within a reasonable amount of time.

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